ISD INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF DÜSSELDORF SINCE 1968
Counselling Department

02.10.2026

GUIDE TO THE WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS | ISD COUNSELLING DEPARTMENT EVENT CALENDAR

Gr. 12 Students & Parents

- **North American Checklist | UK/NL/IRE/EU Checklist – Priority action points to complete by October 31st!**

ALL applicants

- **Complete** the **Senior Questionnaire** in **MAIA** **+ schedule** your **Fall Planning Meeting** (**Mr. L | Mrs. Mika**)**: DUE 30.09!**
- **Organise** your application plan using the **Roadmap** (**NL applicants**).
- ***If required**, submit **IB Self-Prediction Form** to your **Career & Higher Education (CHE) Counsellor** and determine when to request **HE predicted grades**.
- **Check the Class of 2027 Google Classroom group and your (personal) email regularly (spam/junk too!!)** to stay up to date with all communication from the CHE Counsellors and the institutions to which you are applying.
- **Update** your **MAIA** **Personal Profile** ('**Profile**' | '**Edit**'), including a **picture** and **'Secondary Email Address'**.
- **Update** your **MAIA** **'Considering'**, including the **deadline** and **degree/programme/course**. Meet with your CHE Counsellor to move institutions to '**Applying'**.
- ***If required** for application and/or Study Visa, register and take the **TOEFL/IELTS** /***Duolingo** (***if accepted**).
- **Work** on **online applications** and meet with your CHE Counsellor to check that each one is filled out correctly.
- Use **Fall Break** to **visit** campuses (virtually).

NL applicants

- **Attend** the **Studielink registration session** on **Oct. 5th** – Register in **MAIA** ('**Events**').
- **Submit** up to **4** **enrolment applications** in **Studielink** – one for each degree/programme on your application list.
- After submitting each enrolment application, **monitor** your **email** (**spam/junk too**) for the invitation from each individual institution/programme to complete the **online application**.
- ***If required**, edit and revise the ***Letter of Motivation**. Share with your CHE Counsellor for feedback **(AI prompt)**.
- ***If required**, edit and revise your ***Résumé/CV**. Share with your CHE Counsellor for feedback.

UK applicants

- **Oxford/Cambridge, Medicine, Dentistry, Vet Medicine/Science final deadline: October 15th @ 18:00** UK time.
- **Fill out** your **UCAS Hub** application and meet with your CHE Counsellor to check that it is complete and correct.
- **Edit** and **revise** the UK **personal statement**. Share with your CHE Counsellor for feedback **(AI prompt)**.
- **Register** and **prepare** for any required **admission tests** (**UCAT/LNAT/Other**).
- **University of Oxford WEBINAR: Inside the Interview | 06.10 @ 11:00 & 17:00**

US applicants

- **Connect** your **Common Application** account to **MAIA** **(YouTube)**. See your CHE Counsellor!
- ***If required**, follow the correct process to **request teacher recommendations**. See your CHE Counsellor!
- **Edit** and **revise** the **application essay** and/or **supplemental essays**. Share with your CHE Counsellor for feedback **(AI prompt)**.
- **Early Action/Early Decision** and **University of California/California State University** applicants should review each application with their CHE Counsellor before submission.
- Applicants with **rolling** admissions deadlines should prepare each application this month and be ready to submit by the end of November at the latest.
- ***If required, send standardized test scores** to institutions where you have applied Early Action / Decision / Rolling.
- Note **financial aid** application requirements (**FAFSA | CSS Profile | Certification of Finances** (International students) for each institution.
- **Register** to take the **ACT** and/or **SAT** in November and/or December if necessary.

GR. 12 & 11 STUDENTS & PARENTS

- **U.S. & Bocconi University Applicants – October 3rd SAT Reminder**
  Students should arrive by **7:45** and **bring the following**: Government-issued ID; **Test device** with **Bluebook**; printed admission ticket; pencils/pens for scratch work; College Board username and password; **approved calculator**; **ISD STUDENT CARD** to access the campus! Testing takes place in the **North Building**.

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GR. 12 & 11 STUDENTS & PARENTS (Continued)

- **U.S. & Bocconi University Applicants – November & December SAT Registration**
  The registration deadline for the **Nov. 7th** SAT is **Oct. 23rd**. For the **Dec. 5th** SAT, students must register by **Nov. 20th**. Visit the **College Board** website. Our ISD Test Centre number is **57655** and our ISD School Code is **734315**.

GR. 10 STUDENTS & PARENTS

- **The Road to Your Future – Why 9th/10th Grades Matter Parent Presentation REMINDER**
  Would you like to know how the Career & Higher Education Counsellors work with 9th/10th-grade students? Are you interested in knowing what your child can do in each of these years to plan and prepare for life after ISD? The ISD Career & Higher Education Counsellors invite you to our presentation and Q&A session on **Wed. Oct. 14th** at **18:00** in the **Dahms Theatre**. Please **REGISTER HERE** to attend.

- **Morrisby Profile Career & Aptitude Assessment Registration**
  We invite **Class of 2029** parents to **REGISTER THEIR CHILD** for the **Morrisby Profile**. Please refer to the **INVITATION LETTER** for more information about how the Morrisby can inform academic planning, course choices, future study pathways, and career decision-making.

ALL Students & Parents

- **SRT International University Fair @ St. George's British International School**
  All interested ISD students and parents are invited to **St. George's** for the **SRT International University Fair** on **Thursday, Oct. 8th**, from **14:30-16:00**. Please register in advance by **following this link**, and then consult the **fair guide** to plan your experience. Remember to ask a parent to inform **senior.office@isdedu.de** of your absence if you are missing a lesson(s).

- **HHU Herbstferien Workshops & Vorträge: Hilfe im Hochschule Dschungel**
  In unseren Workshops und Vorträgen hast Du die Chance, Dich Schritt für Schritt mit den Themen Hochschule, Studium und Studiengängen auseinanderzusetzen. Wir erklären Dir u.a. die Hochschullandschaft, die Bewerbungsverfahren und sprechen auch über geeigente Informationsportale für die Suche nach dem passenden Studiengang.

- **Agentur für Arbeit Düsseldorf Career Guidance**
  The **Agentur für Arbeit Düsseldorf Education and Career Consultants** offer individual appointments to guide students through the **German** post-school options. Whether choosing between an **apprenticeship**, **dual study** programs, or navigating **higher education applications**, the AAD consultants have the insights and tips on deadlines and the local job market. They are also a great resource if you're considering a gap year, applying for a voluntary service, or just need help with your resume. To book an in-person appointment, **send an email** with the **subject line: [International School of Düsseldorf / Your name]** or **book an online consultation**. You can also come and speak with **Sigrud Stadtmann** from the Agentur für Arbeit at ISD's upcoming **Study in Germany** fair on **Nov. 4th**!

- **Dutch Design Week 2026**
  Future designer, creator, or maker? **Dutch Design Week** kicks off on **Oct. 17th** and goes until **Oct. 25th**. One of the many featured events is the **Design Academy Eindhoven Graduation Show**. Follow the link to the **full programme** to begin planning your DDW experience.

- **Upcoming Higher Education Visits & Events**
  - **European Higher Education Fairs**
  - **Sciences Po (FRA) Information Sessions for Prospective Candidates | 02.-20.10**
  - **ESCP Bachelor's Programme Webinar | 05.10 | 17:00**
  - **Traumberuf MINT Schülermesse: 100+ Studiengänge, duale Studiengänge u. Ausbildungen | 07.10 | 8:30-14:30**
  - **University of Pécs (HU) Virtual Open Day | 08.10 | 13:00-18:00**
  - **Uni Halle Virtuelle InfoAbend: Die Uni Halle stellt sich vor | 14.10 | 18:00**
  - **NACAC Virtual College Fair | 18.10 | 19:00-00:00**
  - **CIS International University Fair in Frankfurt | 16.11 | 10:00-12:30**

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